

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : C. Robert Gasparrini et al. Art Unit: 2854
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For : **SOAK ON SITE AND SOAK ON PRESS
CLEANING SYSTEM AND METHOD OF USING SAME**



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Preliminary to a substantive examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claims 7-8, 12-16 and 18-50 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claim 1-3, 5-6, 9-11 and 17 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of cleaning a cylinder of a printing press, the printing press comprising a frame, a cleaning fabric supply element mounted with respect to the frame and having a wound strip of cleaning fabric, a cleaning fabric take-up means mounted with respect to the frame, and means supported by the frame for guiding the strip of cleaning fabric from the supply element to the take-up means, the method comprising:

dipping said wound strip of cleaning fabric into a container containing a cleaning solvent, said container mounted with respect to the frame of the printing press and located between the cleaning fabric supply element and the cylinder;

unwinding said strip of cleaning fabric containing the solvent from said cleaning fabric supply element; and